

Hydeism in Missouri; What It Promised; What It Did--and What It Seeks to Do.

In 1920 Arthur M. Hyde, present Governor of the great State of Missouri, ran on a platform pledging the Republican party in Missouri "to economy of administration; a fair redistricting of the State on a population and not a partisan basis," and "a fair adjustment of the burden of taxation."

Here's how those promises have been kept (?):

The Hyde Legislature cost the taxpayers of Missouri as follows:

Regular session	\$296,500
First Extra Session	121,000
Second Extra Session	33,000
Total	\$450,500

No other regular session in the history of the State ever exceeded \$279,364.89.

The Hyde Legislature made appropriations which totaled, exclusive of the money for Public Schools, Roads and the Soldier Bonus, the astounding sum of \$30,254,916.11.

This vast appropriation exceeded the total appropriations made during the last biennial period of Gov. Gardner by more than TWELVE MILLION DOLLARS.

But this isn't all of the "economy" story:

The records show that it is costing the taxpayers of Missouri more money in every department of State under the present Republican office-holders than it cost the Democrats.

During the first 20 months of Governor Hyde's administration it cost the taxpayers to have the Governor's, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Auditor, State Treasurer's offices; the Board of Health, Tax Commission, Insurance Department, Penitentiary, General Contingent, Printing, Negro Industrial Commission, Oil Inspection, Game & Fish Commission, Banking Department, Training School for Boys, Industrial Home for Girls and the Industrial Home for Negro Girls \$842,437.23 more than it did during the first 20 months of Gardner's administration.

SO MUCH FOR ECONOMY.

Fair and Impartial Redistricting

The promise of a fair and impartial redistricting was no more respected than the promise of economy. Instead of redistricting on a population basis, the Hyde administration redistricted the State into Judicial, Senatorial and Congressional districts upon the most notorious partisan basis that could be conceived. Not content to let circuit judges of the State serve out the terms to which they had been elected, the Legislature passed a bill, which, had it gone into effect, would have removed seven circuit judges from the bench; left three judicial circuits without a judge and permitted all of these places to have been filled by executive appointment.

When we consider the fact that the bill that was passed would have set aside the expressed will of the majority of the voters in thirty-nine counties of the State, containing a population of over 740,000 people, we have some conception of the magnitude of this despotic attempt to usurp the rights of the people and set aside the verdict of ballots. Never was there a more unholy thrust at the judiciary of this State, nor a more contemptible attempt to make this branch of our Government subservient to the executive.

But little less reprehensible was the attempt to so gerrymander the State into congressional and senatorial districts in such a way that it would have given to the Republicans twelve congressional districts and twenty senatorial districts, regardless of the way the majority of the people voted.

Fair Adjustment

Why was it, after making a promise to fairly adjust the burden of taxation so that it would fall the same on all classes of property, that the Republican State Board of Equalization increased the valuation of farm lands more than on any other class of property?

Here's the way they increased valuations:

Railroad values were increased, approximately, 69 per cent
Money, Notes and Bonds, approximately, 57 per cent
Town Lots, approximately, 39 per cent
Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, approximately, 20 per cent
FARM LANDS, approximately, 140 per cent

Governor Hyde boasts that a less amount of taxes for State purposes was collected last year than was collected under the last year of Governor Gardner's administration. If this is true, WHY DID HIS ADMINISTRATION COLLECT \$374,888.00 MORE OFF OF THE FARM LAND OWNERS THAN WAS COLLECTED UNDER THE LAST DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION?

WHY DID GOVERNOR HYDE'S ADMINISTRATION REDUCE THE CORPORATION FRANCHISE TAX ONE-HALF AND THE INCOME TAXES ONE-THIRD, AND HIKE THE TAXES ON THE FARMERS?

Here are some bills that were passed by the last Legislature that tend to show to what extent the present administration has gone in an effort to build up a great political machine. These bills, together with a number of others have been submitted to a referendum vote and it is the duty of every voter who does not want too much centralization of power, to vote against these measures.

One of them is an act creating an office to be known as the DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET, to be under the direction and control of a Commissioner who is appointed by the Governor and who will draw a salary of \$5,000.00 a year, together with traveling and office expenses. He will also have an unlimited number of clerks, stenographers, accountants and other help.

Another act seeks to create a department to be known as the DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, with a man at the head of this department to be known as the Commissioner of Labor, who will be appointed by the Governor and will draw a salary to be fixed by the Governor. He will also have a number of high-priced employees under his control.

Another act seeks to create a department to be known as the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE, with a supervisor of this department who will be appointed by the Governor at a salary of \$5,000.00 per year, together with traveling and office expenses, clerks, stenographers, etc.

Another act seeks to create a DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE that would be under the direction, control and management of a Commissioner appointed by the Governor, who would draw a salary named by the Governor. This department would, under the act passed, abolish the bi-partisan State Board of Agriculture that has functioned efficiently for many years.

These are only a few of the number of bills that were passed by the Hyde administration, that have as their ulterior aim and purpose, Government by Boards not directly responsible to the people. They should all be defeated at the polls on November 7.

In order that the voter may get some idea of what it would cost to run the departments that the Republican administration has sought to consolidate and centralize in the hands of one man, attention is called to the appropriation that was made by the last legislature to support these various departments. The appropriation for a period of only 18 1-2 months was \$1,927,120.00. This would be at the rate of \$2,408,900.00 for a biennial period, or almost one million dollars more than it cost to do the same work under Democratic rule.

Don't overlook the consolidation program, the attempt to throw out circuit judges who were elected by the people; the attempt to remove justices of the peace and constables who were chosen by the people; the attempt to gerrymander the State on a partisan instead of a population basis. Vote "No" by scratching "Yes", on propositions Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19.

Think a Minute, Democrats

The Republican State Committee, Republican newspapers and the Republican candidate for United States Senator—R. R. Brewster—are all working hand-in-glove to divide the Democratic host of Missouri into warring factions. Are you going to let them do it? Are you going to be their "sucker" and take the cork under with the bait they are dangling before you?

They are working to defeat Senator Reed. Why? Because they recognize in him the strongest opponent in the United States Senate against the big interests the Republican party represents.

Republican Senators voted to relieve profiteers of the excess profits tax. Senator Reed voted to make them pay.

Republican Senators voted to lighten the load on the big income taxpayers. Senator Reed voted against it.

Republican Senators voted for the Fordney-McCumber Tariff Law, that will cost the American consumer over five billion dollars annually. Senator Reed voted against it.

Now, be frank and honest with yourself, Mr., Mrs., or Miss Democrat, and answer this question: Isn't it better for our party to be represented by one who is in hearty accord with what our party stands for on the great fundamental principles of taxation and tariff than to have one who is opposed to these principles?

Mr. Brewster--Then and Now

The fulsome words now being heaped upon Ex-President Wilson by Mr. Brewster are in striking contrast with his statements about the great ex-president made a few weeks ago when Mr. Brewster was seeking the Republican nomination.

In a speech made in St. Louis July 18th, last, before a meeting of the Republican Women's Club of St. Louis, Mr. Brewster is quoted in newspaper reports as saying:

"Lie No. 2.—* * * I do not mind much being accused of murder or highway robbery, but I do mind the charge of having favored the League of Nations. The truth about this matter is, that in the last National campaign, when the League of Nations was the principal issue, I spent 8 weeks at my own expense campaigning for the Republican National and State tickets. I was one of the most outspoken and bitter opponents the League of Nations had. So drastic was my criticism of President Wilson and so bitter my attacks upon the League that newspaper reporters who traveled with Governor Hyde and myself told the Governor that they felt I was entirely too drastic in my criticism of the President."

"Lie No. 3 is to the effect that during the war I said in a speech that Wilson was a greater President than Abraham Lincoln. No man who is not absolutely devoid of sense or patriotism could make such a statement. I never at any time said anything that remotely resembled this language, for in my own opinion, Lincoln was the greatest man that ever walked the earth, save One."

SALE IN PARTITION

Edward J. Powers, Plaintiff, vs. James Powers, Nora Powers, Edward Powers, Patrick Powers and Katie Marlow (nee Powers) widow of Patrick Marlow, Defendants.

In pursuance of an order and decree made and entered by the Circuit Court at the May Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court of St. Francois County, State of Missouri, in the above entitled case, a duly certified copy of which said order was to me delivered on the 15th day of June, 1922, by the Clerk of said Court, I, the undersigned Sheriff of said County of St. Francois, will, on

Monday, November 27, 1922, at the south front door of the Court House, in the City of Farmington, County and State aforesaid, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session and term of the Circuit Court of said County of St. Francois, sell to the highest bidder, at public vendue, the following described real estate situate in said County of St. Francois, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of the south half of the southwest quarter of section ten (10), con-

taining eighty (80) acres; and the northwest quarter of section fifteen (15), containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres; and the south half and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section fifteen (15), containing one hundred and twenty (120) acres; and the north half of the southeast quarter of section fifteen (15), containing eighty (80) acres; and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section fourteen (14), containing thirty-nine and 1-100 (39.01) acres; and the south half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section fourteen (14), containing nineteen and 505-1000 (19.505) acres; all in township 35 (35) north, range four (4) east, containing in the aggregate four hundred ninety-eight and 515-1000 (498.515) acres, less ten (10) acres, more or less, occupied by the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern R. R. for railroad purposes.

Terms of Sale: One-half cash, and the balance to be paid in one year from the date of sale, the deferred payment to be secured by a deed of trust on said property and to bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, with privilege to the purchaser of paying all cash, provided he elects to do so before the approval of the sale by the Court.

JOHN G. HUNT, Sheriff St. Francois County. Nov. 3, 10, 17 and 24.

BISMARCK

The Bismarck H. S. basketball team was considerably bumped up Friday night when defeated by the Crystal City team on the latter's court. Both teams played good, fast ball, but the home team was finally overcome by the score of 28-15. Our boys enjoyed a tour through the glass factory while there, and reported it very interesting.

On Saturday night the H. S. team was defeated by the Festus team, but this defeat may be blamed to the worn-out condition of the home team and to the fact that Kottinger, guard, had three fractured ribs from the previous night's game. The Festus boys were also allowed to play a rough game and the home team was thus unable to strike its stride. The score was 21-11 in favor of the Festus team.

Miss Lillian Gale, of St. Louis, visited her father, Dr. F. W. Gale, and friends over the week-end.

Frank Keathley, who is employed in St. Louis, visited home folks during the week-end.

Mrs. E. Conway and two sons were Elvins visitors Saturday.

H. D. Hodkins, who is teaching school at Mineral Point, visited home folks during the week-end.

The Freshman class of the Bismarck school were entertained at a party given by the eighth grade Saturday evening at the home of Geo.

Boushon. Numerous games were played and those present report a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Carter and Mrs. G. E. Neely went to Lutesville Saturday for a few days visit.

A B. Y. P. U. Convention was held at the Baptist church here Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Highley, of Farmington, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sisk.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Treuernicht, of Jefferson City, visited last week at the Sophia Leggett home.

Miss Mabel Andrews, English teacher, spent the week-end with Fredericktown relatives.

Wm. Bogue motored to Ste. Genevieve Sunday.

Mrs. A. Trauernicht was an Irondale visitor Monday.

Henry Woods, of St. Louis, visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Belknap, at the Bismarck hotel Saturday.

R. E. Sloan and Byron Goeltz were DeSoto visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Maggie Gordon and little grandsons, Jessie and Gordon Smith, were Flat River visitors their rest of the week.

Dr. F. W. Gale accompanied S. T. Middleton to the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium in St. Louis Tuesday.

Mrs. G. B. Gale and children, of Farmington, were visiting at the F. W. Gale home Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Highley, of Farmington, visited at the Jeff Hughes home last week.

Hon. Peter H. Huck, of Ste. Genevieve, Democratic candidate for reelection for Circuit Judge, was campaigning in Bismarck Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brooks, of Des Arc, visited Bismarck relatives Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Kness and family visited at the J. C. Wood home in Bellview Sunday.

Mrs. J. U. White, of Flat River, visited at the J. C. Hunter home the week-end.

Miss Lela Hansbrough and Mrs. Hoffman, of St. Louis, will visit for some time at the O. E. Hansbrough home.

Miss Lavina Kirkpatrick, of Farmington, visited Bismarck relatives over the week-end.

Chris Grenia and Sterling Matkin, who are employed at Madison, Ill., visited home folks last week-end.

J. S. Wirag, Woodmen deputy, went to Ste. Genevieve last Tuesday on lodge business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heck, of Cairo, Ill., were guests of Bismarck friends Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson, of near Bellview, were Bismarck visitors Monday.

Miss Vivian Wallis visited home folks at Caledonia the week-end.

Omar Bisplinghoff, of Chaffee, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bisplinghoff, Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Gault was a Flat River visitor Saturday.

Mrs. V. Thomason returned home after a week's visit in St. Louis.

Mrs. A. N. Sherrill, of St. Louis, visited Bismarck friends during the week.

L. G. Johnson and Ed McLery were in the Black River country buying cattle last week. Mr. McLery states they participated in several successful possum hunting expeditions.

Norman Weeks was a Caledonia visitor the first of the week.

This week ends the first quarter of school, and examinations will take place Thursday and Friday. Report cards will be given out some time next week.

A process has been developed in Hungary for treating corn straw in such a manner that it will produce 40 pounds of cellulose, 40 pounds of molasses and 5 pounds of artificial fertilizer from every 100 pounds of straw.

The Times still has on its full armour for the good of this community